

## Hurricane Harvey 2017 9/3/2017 – 0800 CDT Update

#### ARKEMA FIRE

On September 2, 2017, white smoke was observed emitting from the one of the remaining 6 trailers of peroxide. EPAs aerial reconnaissance aircraft continued to make fly over the Arkema facility about every 10 to 15 minutes. Instruments detected emissions of peroxide. During each smoke emission event the ground air monitoring outside the 1.5-mile exclusion zone indicated non-detect for the contaminants of concern. At approximately 7:30pm, the Responsible Party, in consultation with Unified Command, decided to manually ignite the remaining peroxide trailers. However, just prior to initiation of the manual ignition operation, the plan was cancelled. The remaining trailers began emoting smoke again, making the operation unsafe. At 1326 the air crew from the sheriff department performed an overflight and noticed that a yellow liquid material had spill from several of the trailers, apparently from the stored material continue to react due to the increase temperature but not enough to ignite. The 1.5-mile evacuation radius remains in effect. EPA's aerial reconnaissance aircraft flyover photos indicate that flood waters within the facility have receded almost completely.

#### **BEAUMONT/PORT ARTHUR**

EPA is looking for staging areas throughout Beaumont/Port Arthur to establish operations once flood waters recede.

#### FIELD RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI**

Throughout the weekend, EPA's aerial recognizance aircraft is assessing public water supplies, wastewater treatment facilities, Risk Management Plan (RMP) and Facility Response Plan (FRP) facilities for damage and immediate ongoing releases.

EPA personnel deployments to Austin, Beaumont-Port Arthur, Houston and Corpus Christi will continue throughout the weekend. Personnel will be supporting the Unified Command teams that are identifying and evaluating impacts of the hurricane and floods, as well as coordinating with TCEQ to assist with priority drinking and waste water assessments. EPA is working with TCEQ to issue a statement on the hazards of floodwaters. Assisting drinking water and waste water facilities in maintaining and/or resuming their operational status remains a high priority.

On September 2, 2017, an EPA Liaison Officer met with the Nueces County Emergency Management Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator at the Nueces County Emergency Operations Center. The Coordinator informed the EPA that there were no environmental concerns they would need assistance with, but appreciated EPA reaching out to them. Nueces County's contractor will be starting vegetation debris pickup next week and project to be completed in about 4-6 days. The Coordinator did ask if EPA could echo any of their social media and media information about the debris pickup to assist in a widespread dissemination of their information.

On September 2, 2017, the Corpus Christi Oil Discharge Assessment Team 1 observed an ongoing release of natural gas at the South Mustang Separation Facility. The team notified the responsible party and confirmed they were responding appropriately.

#### **HOUSTON**

No new updates.

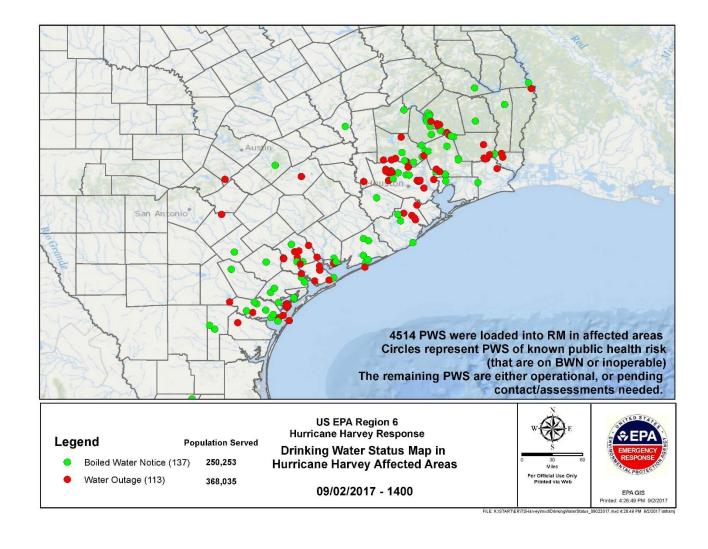
#### SPILL/RELEASE RESPONSE

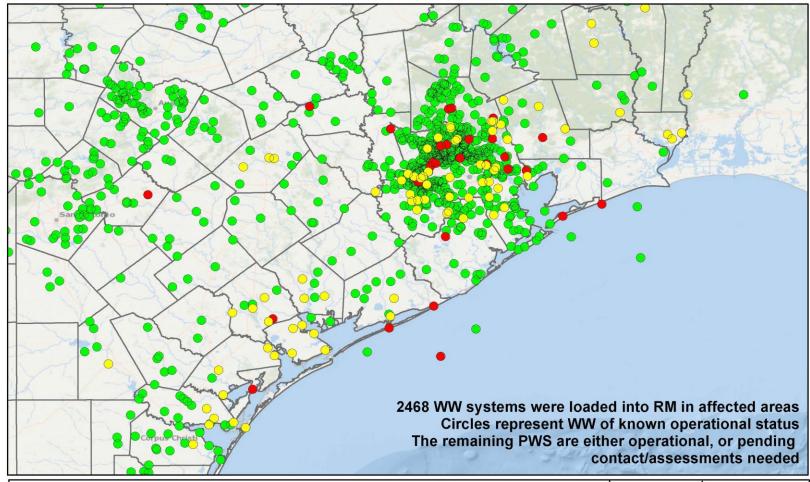
Hotline Calls as of September 3, 2017					
Number of Harvey Related Calls	9				
Received During Reporting Period 1300-					
0100					
Total Number of Harvey Related Calls	129				
to Date					
* EPA is assessing each call to determine appropriate r	response and forwarding reports				
to field personnel to conduct further assessments and r	esponse as needed.				

#### DRINKING WATER / WASTEWATER ASSESSMENTS

EPA continues to support TCEQ in contacting drinking water and waste water systems with 10 personnel manning TCEQ's Drinking Water and Waste Water Phone Bank located in Austin.

DRINKING WATER AND WASTE WATER FACILITIES STATUS SUMMARY TABLE					
STATUS	DW	WW			
Not Contacted	2145	384			
Contact Attempted (Unreachable)	192	179			
Remaining Systems To Be Contacted	2337	563			
Total Systems In Database	4514	2468			
Percent Systems Not Contacted	51%	22%			



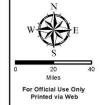


### Legend

- No Problems (1781)
- Partially Operational or Affected (88)
- Not Operational Or Destroyed (35)

US EPA Region 6 Hurricane Harvey Response

Wastewater Status Map in Hurricane Harvey Affected Areas 09/02/2017 - 1900

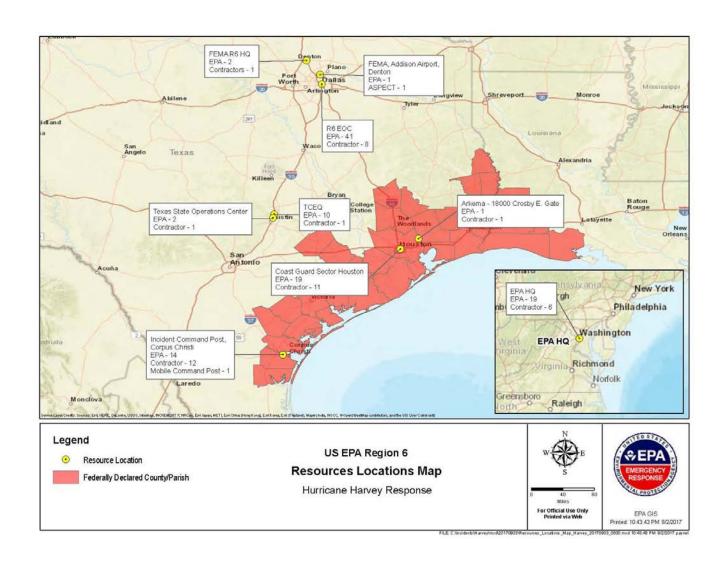




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#### **EPA RESOURCES**

Personnel	EPA Dallas, TX	FEMA Denton, TX	Texas SOC Austin, TX	TCEQ Austin, TX	Houston, TX	Corpus Christi, TX	HQ EOC Wash DC	Totals
EPA	41	1	2	10	19	14	19	106
START	7		1	1	11	6		26
ERRS						6		6
Other Contractors	1						6	7
TOTAL	49	1	3	11	30	26	25	145



### FUNDING SEPTEMBER 2, 2017

Funding Sources	Funding Ceiling	Funding Ceiling Less Indirect	Spent to Date	Remaining Balance	Daily Burn Rate
Non Mission Assignment	N/A		\$64,200.00	\$0.00	
MA 4332DR-TX- EPA-01	\$20,000.00	\$17,654.00	\$0.00	\$17,654.00	
MA 4332DR-TX- EPA-03	\$8,592,000.00	\$7,584,077.00	\$2,473,544.00	\$5,110,533.00	\$151,953.84
Totals:	\$8,612,000.00	\$7,601,731.00	\$2,537,744.00	\$5,128,187.00	

<sup>\*</sup>Burn rate does not include daily ERRS amounts, not yet received. The burn does include START & ASPECT.

#### REFINERIES/FUEL WAIVERS

The National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis (OCIA) reports refineries in Corpus Christi, Texas (TX) are starting the process to re-open. These refineries do not provide gasoline to the Colonial Pipeline system which supplies much of the oil to the northeast United States. Gasoline prices across the nation continue to increase.

The Department of Energy authorized the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to negotiate and execute an emergency exchange agreement with the Phillips 66 Lake Charles Refinery. This decision will authorize 200,000 barrels of sweet crude oil and 300,000 barrels of sour crude oil to be drawn down from SPR's West Hackberry, Louisiana (LA) site and delivered via pipeline to the Phillips 66 refinery.

Four No Action Assurance (NAA) letters were signed by EPA on September 1, 2017, to help address fuel shortages. NAAs will help expedite the distribution of existing gasoline supplies in both Texas and Louisiana while the refineries work to re-start and resume normal operations. For each NAA, EPA will exercise discretion not to pursue enforcement for violations of the regulations identified in the NAAs. Each NAA is effective for two weeks, or until September 15. It is anticipated that these NAAs will allow for the immediate distribution in Texas of 10 million or more gallons of gasoline to consumers.

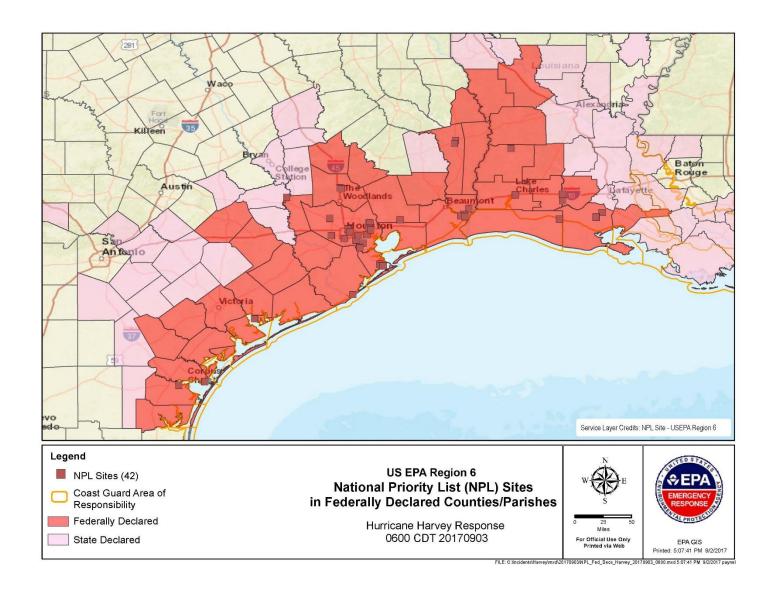
**Texas NAA for Vapor Recovery Systems**: Several federal regulations and the Texas State Implementation Plan (SIP) require that bulk gasoline, marine, and rail loading terminals operate a vapor control system to collect the fuel vapors displaced from tank trucks during product loading. This NAA allows the loading and unloading of fuel at terminals that have damaged or inoperable vapor recovery devices or that are otherwise not equipped with such devices.

**Texas NAA for Truck Loading at Petroleum Distribution Terminals**: Several federal regulations and the Texas SIP require that gasoline tank trucks obtain testing and certification that the tank trucks are vapor tight. This NAA allows tank trucks to load and unload fuel at terminals even though the trucks may not be registered with the terminals as having completed all the testing for tank tightness or have the documentation on hand to prove it.

**Texas NAA for Roof Landings at Gasoline Storage Vessels:** This relates to several federal regulations and the Texas SIP covering storage vessels with external floating roofs. Specifically, when the operator removes product from the vessel such that the roof lands on the vessel's legs, such action must be a continuous motion, i.e. the process of re-filling the vessel must begin immediately after roof landing. This NAA will allow roof landings without requiring immediate re-filling of the vessel.

Louisiana NAA for Truck Loading at Petroleum Distribution Terminals: Several federal regulations and the Louisiana SIP require that gasoline tank trucks obtain testing and certification that the tank trucks are vapor tight. This NAA allows tank trucks to load and unload fuel at terminals even though the trucks may not be registered with the terminals as having completed all the testing for tank tightness or have the documentation on hand to prove it.

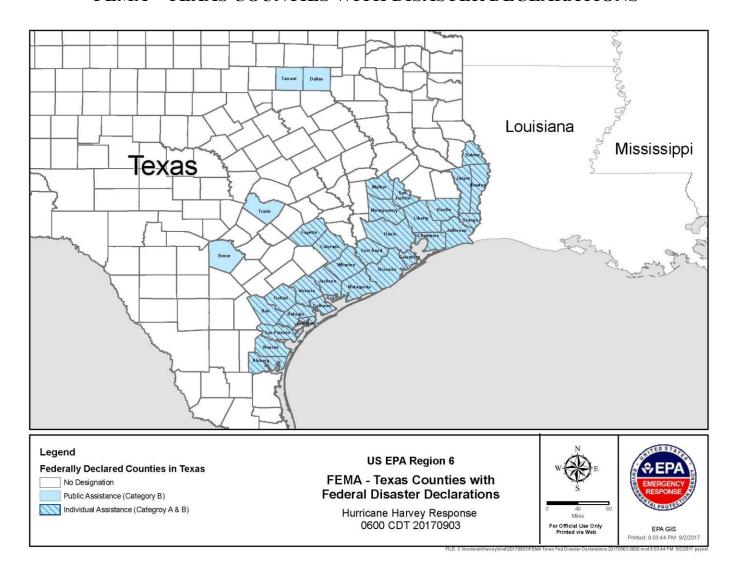
### **SUPERFUND NPL SITES**



# **SUPERFUND NPL SITES (Continued)**

Hurricane Harvey Rapid Response Assessment	Phase 1	Phase	2	Phase 3		
	Rapid Response Assessment	Site Inspection Needed	Inspected	Additional Response Action	All Phases Complete	
	TEXAS	Necded				
SITE NAME						
ALCOA (Point Comfort) / LAVACA BAY	8/29/17	No			8/29/2017	
BAILEY WASTE DISPOSAL	9/1/17	Yes				
BRINE SERVICE CO.	8/30/17	Yes	8/30/17	No	8/30/2017	
BRIO REFINING INC.	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
CONROE CREOSOTING COMPANY	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
CRYSTAL CHEMICAL CO.	8/30/17	No			8/30/17	
DIXIE OIL PROCESSORS INC.	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
FALCON REFINERY	8/31/17	Yes	8/30/17	No	8/30/2017	
FRENCH, LTD.	9/1/17	Yes				
GENEVA INDUSTRIES / FUHRMANN ENERGY	9/1/17	Yes				
GULFCO MARINE MAINTENANCE	9/1/17	Yes				
HARRIS (FARLEY STREET)	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
HART CREOSOTING	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
HIGHLANDS ACID PIT	9/1/17	Yes				
JASPER CREOSOTING	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
JONES ROAD GROUNDWATER PLUME	8/29/17	No			08/29/17	
MALONE SERVICES COMPANY	9/1/17	Yes				
MANY DIVERSIFIED INTERESTS, INC	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
MOTCO, INC.	8/31/17	No			8/31/2017	
NORTH CAVALCADE STREET	8/29/17	No			08/29/17	
PALMER BARGE LINE	9/1/17	No		)1	9/1/17	
PATRICK BAYOU	9/1/17	Yes				
PETRO-CHEMICAL SYSTEMS, INC. (Turtle Bayou)	9/1/17	Yes				
SAN JACINTO RIVER WASTE PITS	9/1/17	Yes				
SIKES DISPOSAL PITS	8/29/17	No	1		08/29/17	
SOL LYNN / INDUSTRIAL TRANSFORMERS	8/29/17	No			08/29/17	
SOUTH CAVALCADE STREET	8/29/17	No			08/29/17	
STAR LAKE CANAL	8/30/17	No			8/30/2017	
STATE MARINE OF PORT ARTHUR	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
TEX-TIN CORP.	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
TRIANGLE CHEMICAL COMPANY	9/1/17	Yes				
UNITED CREOSOTING CO.	9/1/17	No			9/1/17	
US OIL RECOVERY	9/1/17	Yes				
	LOUISIAN					
AMERICAN CREOSOTE DERIDDER	09/01/17	No			9/1/17	
D.L. MUD, INC.	08/29/17	No			08/29/17	
/R-WOOD TREATING/EVANGELINE REFINING COMPANY	09/01/17	No		N .	9/1/2017	
GULF COAST VACUUM SERVICES	08/29/17	No			08/29/17	
GULF STATE UTILITIES (North Ryan Street)	08/31/17	No			8/31/2017	
MALLARD BAY LANDING BULK PLANT	08/29/17	No			08/29/17	
PAB OIL & CHEMICAL SERVICE	08/29/17	No			08/29/17	
SBA SHIPYARD	09/01/17	No			9/1/17	
Status Summary						
Rapid Response Assessment Completed	41					
Sites with no further action	28					
Sites in Phase 2	13					

### FEMA – TEXAS COUNTIES WITH DISASTER DECLARATIONS



## **PHOTOS**

Command and General Staff Meeting on September 2, 2017.



USCG and EPA Members discussing operations.



## **PHOTOS**

OSC in Alpha Branch performing a field assessment.



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